GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
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PROTECTION OF WILD ANIMALS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal for setting up of a separate department in the Ministry of Environment and Forests for protection of wild animals is under consideration of the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA):

(a) & (b) There is a proposal to have two separate Departments, viz. Department of Environment, and Department of Forests & Wildlife as a follow-up of the recommendations of the Tiger Task Force.

(c) No time frame for a final decision can be given.